

The title of this sermon is *God's Plan for You*. There is a great truth that mankind is not aware of, neither can they accept this truth at this particular point in time. Satan is fully aware of this truth and has intentionally deceived mankind into believing something false; in fact Satan and his demons are *jealous* of this very truth.

What is that truth? That mankind was created to become the Godkind. What an incredible truth! Man was created after the humankind. What was that purpose? So that after a time of physical life he could be born spirit into the Godkind; but (and there is a but), only *if* he was willing to follow God's perfect lead. So there is a way to become Elohim and God laid it out in a perfect order and plan for that to be achieved.

I want to go now to one particular truth that is listed under Truth 6 of the 50 Truths that have been revealed to the Church, that God has given to the Church; and that truth is:

6. God's purpose for mankind.

Now this truth was, of course given to Mr. Armstrong to give to the Church for the purpose of keeping us in the faith and giving clear goals and direction of why man exists and why man was given life. This truth, Truth 6 is...

God is reproducing Himself and no other church knows or preaches this truth. We are to be born of God and become God—in the God Family: Elohim.

Now at first this sounds almost too incredible to believe, but it's actually a truth: but it does require God's spirit to fully understand it and more importantly to actually believe it.

Want to go on to Truth 7 out of the 50 Truths that have been put on the website...and of course there are 53 Truths now; but these are the ones that have been listed out of the 50 Truths on the website. Truth 7...

7. Who and what is God. God is a Family into which we may be born.

Now this is something that Satan despised because he and the angels could not be *born into* the God Family. They are, in terms, in the spirit family that God created in the beginning, but they were not Elohim. They are actually individually created spirit beings, but they can never be *born into* the God Family because the process required physical life first, humankind, so that character could be developed by choice – then to be born into a God Family – a Godkind. Continuing on with that 7th Truth...

God's spirit witnesses with our spirit that we are begotten children of God.

And we will cover that as we proceed.

Satan has deceived mankind, which God has allowed for a purpose, into thinking that man has an immortal soul; therefore man believes he cannot die. And this of course is a lie which is easily explained through scripture and God revealed that. But Satan has deceived the churches of this world to preach that. Many of them preach it – that you have an immortal soul. Because of this lie, man through false religions that he has set up, believes that at the time of his physical death his immortal soul goes on to another location. This location is thought to be heaven, limbo, purgatory, or even an ever burning hellfire located under the earth. Now I know limbo and purgatory are a Catholic doctrine, from the Roman Catholic Church and of course it is not found in scripture anywhere. It's just a manmade concept inspired by Satan for a purpose. Satan did it for a purpose because the real hope that God has for mankind *is* in the fact that He alone has eternal life and can give it, whereas Satan has imposed on mankind the concept that he thinks he's already *got* eternal life and therefore it's just a matter of where he goes at death.

Jesus Christ actually explained this and He said as a statement of fact and prophecy in **John 3:13 – No one has ascended to heaven**, so that's a statement of fact. At that very time, Jesus Christ stated, **no one has ascended to heaven**, as a truth, **but**, now He goes on with a prophecy...**but He who came down/out of from heaven**, which in other words, *God* has put into Jesus Christ the very mind of God and this is going to be a prophecy that is fulfilled; **that is the Son of man who is of heaven**. The very mind of Jesus Christ was the word of God, the very mind of God.

I want to go on to Truth 36 – this clearly states that no one has ascended to heaven, but prophecy stated that one would and that would be the Son of man, that was Jesus Christ...*would* ascend to heaven. Truth 36 of 50...

36. No one goes to heaven, not even the 144,000. The only human to ever go to heaven is Jesus Christ. Satan has deceived much of the world to believe mankind can go to heaven...

So we can see from scripture that only Jesus Christ has ascended to heaven at this very point of time. Only Jesus Christ has been given *eternal life* at this point in time. He now is at the right hand of His Father in heaven; and that is easily shown from scripture.

So God's entire purpose for all His creation, everything He created, is to reproduce Himself by bringing into existence a spiritually composed Family with His very character. And that is God's purpose. We are to enter Elohim. We are to *be a Family that lives love*. And that is something that man cannot fully understand, in the fact of *how* do you live love? And of course there are sermons on the website that cover love and God and how God is love.

Jesus was talking to Nicodemus in **John 3:5-6 - Jesus said, most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the spirit, he**, implying mankind, he or she, **cannot enter the Kingdom of God**. In other words a human cannot enter the Kingdom of God, there has to be a *change* to spirit; have to be *given* life, a new different type of life – eternal life as a spirit being to be in God's Family. The Kingdom of God is spiritual and is composed of spirit beings.

Verse 6 - That which is born of the flesh is flesh; in other words, physical human beings, **and that which is born of the spirit is spirit.** Spirit in composition. Now we, of course, know and understand that we are *begotten* with God's spirit now; so with God's spirit it enables the possibility that one day we'll actually be born of spirit and be of spirit composition.

I Corinthians 15:50 – actually explains for the 144,000 how this will take place. Now we know that this has already happened to Jesus Christ, but it's soon to happen in about 799 days, I believe, that this will happen to 144,000 that God has chosen. **I Corinthians 15:50 - Now this I say, brethren,** and the brethren, of course, are those that are called out of this world by God and have been *placed into* a Body called the Body of Christ; **that flesh and blood cannot inherit/cannot enter the Kingdom of God;** so it's impossible. **...flesh and blood,** as we are as humans, **cannot enter the Kingdom of God,** as we are. We cannot enter as a physical being, we have to be changed, **nor does corruption inherit incorruption.**

Verse 51 - Behold, I tell you a mystery; We, those that make up the 144,000; that's what that statement is about, talking about the Church at that time, **shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,** so, this is talking about the first fruits that will be with Jesus Christ ruling in a Millennial period. **...we will all be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump:** in other words at the beginning of the Day of Pentecost in 2012. **...for the trumpet,** the 7th Trumpet, **will sound, and the dead,** those that are called and chosen, **will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.** Now this change is from physical to spirit at a first resurrection. **For this corruptible/this perishing,** because we *are* corruptible, we are perishing in the flesh, we are dying in the flesh, **must put on incorruption,** now that is something that is permanent, that doesn't decay, **and this mortal,** in other words, being mortal we're subject to death and decay, **must put on immortality.** Now immortality is undying, the inability to die. Now we know that God alone has immortality, in other words – *He* is undying. He is not subject to death and cannot die.

God's plan for mankind is that we all must first be physical, which we are, subject to permanent death. We are subject to death before having the potential of being changed to spirit in Elohim – eternal permanent life: and that is the purpose of mankind.

So, what is God's plan for *you* and for me? From the beginning there was only one Eternal Yahweh who is God, who is El, the Almighty Creator...and there was no one else. Only God can give eternal life to another being as *He alone* has it inherent in Himself. So, God cannot die nor cease to exist. We as physical beings can. We as humans do not have this life inherent in us. Yes, we can die and cease to exist. The foundation of God's plan in creating a Family would be the creation of the man Jesus Christ who would be the Saviour for *all* mankind. He was foreordained to be the Saviour for all mankind. He was foreordained to be *first* in *all* things. He was foreordained to be the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. In other words, at the very beginning of God's plan, God knew what man would be created and how we'd be created – with a natural carnal mind; but God would provide a *Saviour* for us – that being Jesus Christ. And that was the very beginning of God's plan: that He knew that He had Jesus Christ as the foundation.

So our future is all about a City whose builder and maker is God. It's a spiritual City and in that City there is a Temple, but the Temple is not a physical building; the Temple is actually God and Christ, they are the Temple. It's a spiritual organizational structure, but God has revealed to man that He is building a Temple, a spiritual Temple and so that man could understand the building of this Temple He has

described how He is doing it in the sense of a temple building. He is building a Family by describing it as a spiritual building – He calls it a temple building. This Temple is spiritual in nature and design. It's a concept. This perfect structure would have a perfect cornerstone as its starting point. So we know that Jesus Christ *is* that perfect cornerstone.

So let's look at some scriptures, and I've got a few here that I want to go through just to cover the fact that we, in this current physical form, have the opportunity, once called and converted – and having the laying of hands and have God's spirit, to be a part of the Temple now as it's being built: but it's not complete as a physical organization or physical structure on the earth *or* a spiritual one. It's still not complete. It's not completed until there is a large Family that have entered into a spiritual realm.

I need to make it clear that we understand also that we are *stones* of the Temple currently, but we have not inherited the City that God is offering...to be permanent stones, permanent structure in a spiritual Temple because we are physical and we have to become spirit. So, **I Corinthians 3:16 - Do you not know that you are the Temple of God, so, a holy place, so when it says Temple of God it's a holy place because God dwells in it.** We're only holy because God makes us holy by dwelling in it, **and that the spirit of God dwells in you?** That's an incredible statement, like it's a question. "Don't you know that?" ...that you *are* the Temple of God and that the spirit of God dwells in you? We know that. We do know that brethren. **If anyone defiles the temple of God, in other words, sin is what defiles, God will destroy him;** well, if unrepented sin continues then there is no purpose; we cannot enter that everlasting spiritual Temple, it's impossible because we're going to have to be destroyed because we're *not fit* to be a stone in the Temple; **for the Temple of God is holy, it's sacred, which temple you are.** So yes, we are the Temple of God, we are the stones of the Temple today *if* God dwells in us.

I Corinthians 6:19 – I'm cutting into a thought process here because I'm just establishing in relation to the fact that we are stones of the Temple. **Or do you not know that your body is the Temple of the holy spirit which is in you?** So we become a part of the Temple, the stone of the Temple because the holy spirit, God dwells in us – that's what makes us the Temple; **...which you have from God, and you are not your own?** Well, why aren't we our own? If you go on to verse 20 it explains. I'm not going to go into it... because we've been purchased. We've been purchased by God *through* Jesus Christ.

II Corinthians 6:16 - And what agreement has the Temple of God with idols? In other words, what agreement or how can we be associated as God's people with sin, with idols, idolatry or just sin. How can we? There's no relationship, there's none at all... **for you are the Temple of the living God; as God has said, I will dwell in them, and walk among them; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.** We're only God's people, we're only part of the Temple *if* God and Jesus Christ live in us, dwell in us. That is what makes us stones of the Temple.

Ephesians 2:20 – cutting into a thought also...**having been built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner stone;** So when a building is started, this is referring to a perfect stone. Now this perfect stone is cut in a perfect shape. So *all* the dimensions from that point are based on this perfect stone, Jesus Christ, the Son of God who never sinned. This stone is put in place *then and* from that point you can cut other stones to fit into that Temple, to fit into that structure – but Jesus Christ is the perfect stone in perfect shape and measurement. All the others then can be measured accordingly so that *they* fit into the same building: but you do need a chief cornerstone and Jesus Christ was that perfect cornerstone.

Verse 21 - In Whom, talking about Christ, **the whole building being joined together grows into a holy Temple in the Lord: in God, In Whom**, that's Jesus Christ, **you also are being built together for a habitation of God in the spirit.** ...in other words, God in us. So we can tell from here that God has a plan and has placed us into a Temple structure and it's an analogy, it's a concept of building from a foundation – and that foundation is Jesus Christ.

There is a promise that goes out to Philadelphia in **Revelation 3:12 – He who overcomes**, now talking about those that God has called and was working with in the era of Philadelphia *and for all* of those that have been called and overcome and make up the 144,000; **I will make him a pillar in the Temple of My God**, now this is spiritual in nature. What does a pillar do? A pillar holds up, a pillar supports...so the purpose for the 144,000 is about a supporting role, because they are perfectly cut so that *they* are able to fit into the Temple. Now we know from **I Kings 6:7** - I'm not going to turn there because of time, but the temple, when it was being built was built with stones finished at a quarry. Now that same principle applies today. No hammer or chisel or any iron tool was heard in the Temple when it was being built. That exact same principle applies today.

Who in the world has heard of God fashioning 144,000? Nobody really knows about that principle. The world can't hear, nor see, this spiritual fashioning that's taking place and for the 144,000 it happened over their lifetime and yes there was a moulding and fashioning *into* a shape that would fit into the Temple. And that shape is all based on the shaping and moulding so that it fitted the perfect shape of Jesus Christ – perfect character that He had. Once Christ was placed in the Temple, placed into the spiritual Body the rest would follow and would have to be overlaid to begin building a Temple. It's a beautiful concept that God has given us, understanding it is about adding to that Temple, adding to that spiritual structure. There *is no* physical building in the Kingdom of God called a Temple. It's actually spiritual by nature.

So the main stone was Christ; it was from this perfect stone that all the rest of the Temple building would be measured and built upon. All the other stones will be shaped in the likeness of that stone and then fitted into the building as God desired. No individual stone could *choose* where it wanted to be in the Temple. This is not about a personal choice of where a person wanted to fit, or would like to be. Mankind by nature would resist and be unhappy with God's decision about where he was going to be located. Isn't that incredible – our nature. Our mind would think naturally... "Well, I don't want to be the 5th pillar in the row. I don't want to be the 147th or 141st," or whatever it is... "143,000ths. That's unfair! Why can't I be number 7, or why can't I be number 2?" That's the natural carnal mind. It just can't grasp what God is really doing. So by nature we resist where God wants to place us and we fight against it; but only God knows where we would be *happy* in that Temple and He knows where we best fit. We, by nature, lift ourselves up against others to believe that we are *better* than the other stones. In other words, that's what we do... "Look at that stone over there...surely God's not working with that stone! He's pretty rough around the edges!" That's our human nature – that's what we do; we elevate ourselves. That's just pride, which is sin, which is all about leavened versus unleavened bread –that's what we're entering into – that period.

Yet, God will give honour to whom He will give honour. It's God's choice where God places people in the Temple, in the Church now *and* also in the spiritual Temple. God owes us nothing! Without God we *are* nothing. We have to come to *see* what God requires of us, we really do, and that's part of a calling that we see that *without God we are nothing!* You know, it's incredible how the human mind thinks. We just think almost automatically that we've always existed. Well in 1952 I didn't exist; now I exist.

But the human mind just can't grasp the fact that we are temporary. We are temporary. Yes, we do face death – we do not have an immortal soul. It's hard for man to grasp it. So without God we actually are nothing.

God will choose each stone and its location as He sees fit. He alone knows what is best for each individual stone. The stones of the Temple would be added in a time order: Christ would be the first and then some 2,000 years later 144,000 others would be added. Now they've all been moulded and fashioned based on the foundation stone so they *will* fit because God's done the fashioning and the shaping. They will be added after 6,000 years of planning and personal shaping of the stones by the Great God of the universe. They would be moulded and shaped and fashioned in silence. The world would not know them. These stones are added by a resurrection from physical to spiritual. They will be placed in the Temple for the purpose of supporting the future stones that would follow...then more stones would be added, their shaping and fashioning would happen over a thousand year period. They would be added after 7,000 years of man at a second resurrection. Then comes a final 100 years of mankind when others would be shaped and fashioned to fit the Temple. Then at a 3rd resurrection, the final stones are added. *Then* the spiritual Temple is complete. God has a Family to share *all* His creation with. Isn't that a marvellous and wonderful plan and the world knows nothing of this plan!

How marvellous is a calling that we have had that God has revealed a purpose for life to us, which should give us direction and focus and help us to fight this carnal natural mind that we have; because we should see the vision that God has laid out. He desires that we be in a Temple on this earth as a spiritual organization called the Church of God; but the longer term vision that He has for us is to enter Elohim, to be placed into a spiritual Temple on a permanent basis. What a wonderful and marvellous truth that is. Each stone fits perfectly at the end as it has been shaped and fashioned by the Great Eternal God Himself.

I Peter 2:4 – Coming to Him as a living stone, we're only living of course, if Jesus Christ is indeed living in us; if God and Jesus Christ is in us, otherwise we're dead stones, we're not living at all. To have life we have to have God and Jesus Christ living their lives in us. So, **coming to Him**, talking about Jesus Christ, **as a living stone rejected indeed by men**, men rejected Jesus Christ, **but chosen by God and precious**. Now brethren, that is a wonderful and marvellous plan that God had, but we can also take this on board. We are indeed rejected by men and they think we're crazy; but what a marvellous and uplifting and motivating thing it is to know that we've been chosen by God at this particular time to fulfill a purpose in this physical life. And we *are* precious...not as the same role as Jesus Christ as the foundation, but no, we all individually are precious to God. He desires His Family.

Verse 5 - You also, as living stones, so as we said, we must have God living in us to be living, **are being built**, so it's a process; **we are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood**. To be holy means we're to be separate and a priesthood was all about service. We are separated for service. **To offer up spiritual sacrifices**, those spiritual sacrifices are sacrificing love; and to be truly love and to be sacrificing not for selfish gain you need God's spirit in you...to have sacrificing love, **acceptable to God through Jesus Christ**. So it's all done *through* Jesus Christ. **Therefore it is also contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Zion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he who believes on Him**, believes what He says, what Jesus Christ said, **will by no means be put to shame**. **Therefore to you who believe**, a condition...this is one of the conditions and requirements of being in the Temple...is we have to believe Jesus Christ, what Jesus Christ said; and all that Jesus Christ was given was from the Father. So this is a condition; **Therefore to you who believe He is precious: but to those who are disobedient, the stone**
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which the builder rejected, has become the chief corner stone, (verse 8) And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, they stumble being disobedient to the word: So they do not believe what God says: **to which they were also appointed.** So, implying that we are called for a purpose; but others at this point in time stumble...they stumble at Jesus Christ; they stumble at the stone, a **rock of offence**, they stumble at it because they were *not* called at this particular time to understand the principles; not called to understand that what God is doing in building a Temple and a spiritual one in the future – a holy City composed of spirit beings – His Family. Mankind cannot understand it; that’s what they’ve been appointed to at this particular time; so they stumble by design. That’s why *we*, brethren, should *never* lift ourselves up against any other stone at all – ever...within the Body and those that have not been called yet; because they haven’t been called. They stumble by design. It’s not God’s plan to have them in the 144,000, *or* to be part of the Temple at this coming time, the return of Jesus Christ, at this particular time. It is something in the future that will take place that they will be offered this same opportunity as a stone to be moulded and fashioned in the shape and the likeness of Jesus Christ, the character and the mind of love.

But you, talking about those that are called now, **are a chosen generation**, chosen by God, nothing we did ourselves, **a royal/kingly priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people that you may proclaim the praises of Him**, talking about God the Father, **who called you out of darkness**, called us out of sin, out of error; now we were in darkness prior to this point and we couldn’t see. *It’s impossible to see truth* without a calling – absolutely impossible! Can’t be done! And we were called, **into His marvellous light**: And that marvellous light of course is the truth, the truth that He has placed *into* the very Church, His Church, the Church of God.

Verse 10 - Who once were not a people, we weren’t a people after God before; we were out there in the world riddled with sin, **but are now a people of God**: yes, the Church of God – we carry His name. We are God’s Church. We are God’s people, **who have not obtained mercy**, prior to this we were not a people, we had not obtained God’s mercy, **but now**, with a calling and the laying of hands, **have obtained mercy**. ...undeserved favour. We should take *no credit* to ourselves at all. We did not find God – God called us out of mercy and love towards us...not because of anything we are or were or what we thought we were. No, it was God’s decision that He wanted to place us into the Temple as a stone, a living stone to be moulded and fashioned so that at some point in time we can be added to the Temple, a spiritual one, in the City of God at the end.

So one aspect of humility that we can come to understand: when we take *no credit to ourselves* it is humility because we recognize what we really are. We recognize that without God we are nothing and when we come to that point in our life we are living humility, God has *given* us humility because the natural carnal mind cannot see, it takes credit to itself for everything. It builds itself up in every opportunity it can against others, against anything... it’ll build itself up. But the day that we can ‘see’ that without God we’re nothing we know that God has given us that gift to see it, therefore God has given us humility, the ability to see ourselves in light of what God is and of course in light of God – we are nothing.

Man cannot force his way into this spiritual Temple. There’s nothing that anybody can do. I’ve seen so many programs about religious people and monks and different types of people that beat themselves and they fast for 5 days and it earns them *nothing*, its self-righteousness: *self-righteousness*. It’s a righteousness they’re atoning to themselves saying, “Look at me, I’m righteous!” Trying to earn something from God. We can’t! God has to give us righteousness and righteousness of course is truth,

it's *His mind* living and dwelling *in* us. That is righteousness – *its God's love in us*. We have no righteousness of ourselves. So we can't force our way into this spiritual Temple. Man could not choose which part or what time he was to be part of the building. We just can't say, oh well, you know, we want to be this, or we want to be that. No, God established the only way a stone could be part of the Temple. God would call a person individually when *He* saw fit. God would grant the person the gift of repentance and the ability to begin to see spiritual matters. God required that man demonstrate His repentance and the acceptance of Jesus Christ as the way to enter into the spiritual Temple.

So without Christ we cannot get into or be given eternal life. It's not possible. It would be through Jesus Christ that mankind would be saved from eternal death and have the potential to be given the *gift* of eternal life in the spiritual Temple of God. And it is a gift brethren.

Romans 6:23 – So there is no other way to enter the final Temple of God as a spirit being. There's only one way and it is through Jesus Christ, the foundation, the chief corner stone. That's what God established at the very beginning. This *is* the way, and if we do not accept Jesus Christ as our Passover sacrifice we *cannot* be given the gift, the free gift of eternal life. **Romans 6:23** – well known scripture; **For the wages of sin is death**; what we earn by nature. We sin everyday; by nature, because we are selfish by nature, that's the way God made us. The goal is to fight against it. The only way we can fight it is having God's spirit in us through being called, repenting, being baptized, having the laying of hands and God will give us the power of His spirit, the power to fight sin. The rest of that verse... **but the gift**, so it's something God gives, it's something... we can't earn it... we can't go out and earn it by doing hundreds of hail Mary's or rolling to Mecca, whatever... you can't. It's a gift of God and that gift is **eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord**. So, we do not have eternal life, we can't *earn* eternal life, it is a *free* gift that God will give to us based on a set of conditions.

Eternal life is something we have to be given from God through Jesus Christ. Eternal life is a free gift and we cannot earn it or purchase it. So I have a question...How is God going to achieve the transformation from physical man to a spirit being in the Family of God *into* this final Temple? Mankind will need to come to understand the following truths that God has revealed to His Church during the era of Philadelphia. These truths were revealed *to* Mr. Armstrong, *through* Mr. Armstrong to God's called out ones – the Church of God, which we are composed of and we hold these truths.

8. What is man?

So mankind's going to have to come to this understanding and accept what God is telling man. To reject it... God cannot work with us if we're willing/wanted to reject what God is telling us to be true. We have to accept truth.

Man does not have an immortal soul. Man is a temporary living, mortal being that returns to the elements of the earth at death and does not go to heaven or hell. Only God can give mankind immortality in His Family.

So only God can place us into the spiritual Temple, into His holy City. Truth 9 of 50:

9. The human spirit in man. The difference between the human mind and animal brain is that there is a human spirit within the human brain that gives the ability of free thought, creativity, and memory. This human spirit must be united with the spirit of God for man to be able to come to know the true ways of God.

So we can only see spiritually if God's spirit dwells in us. God cannot and will not dwell with sin. To enable God to dwell *in* mankind He would provide a way for mankind to have their sins forgiven. It was the only way, because by nature we sin, that's what we are – we think sin, we do sin. But to have it forgiven is something incredible that God designed from the very beginning, from the foundation of the world. Once sin was forgiven God could then dwell and live *in* him; and that was God's purpose of the Passover.

So God's plan for you starts with Passover. God's plan is revealed through the annual observance He gave as appointed times for us to keep *with Him*. It's something we do with God. It's something we don't do independently; we do this with God because they are *His* appointed times. This first annual observance, Passover, is not an annual Sabbath. In other words it's not a High Day, but it is to be observed *first* each year before the annual Sabbaths. Without Passover we cannot start on the path of salvation. So without Passover, without the acceptance of Jesus Christ as our Passover we cannot start on this path to salvation, the gift of eternal life *is* salvation. Without receiving Passover man cannot enter into a spiritual relationship with God. In other words, we can't have a relationship with God on a spiritual plane because it's only through Passover, which is the forgiveness of *sin* that then God enables through the laying of hands, that we can have God's spirit in us where we can have a spiritual relationship with God. So without Passover we can't even start this relationship. Receiving the Passover allows mankind to begin the process of salvation; the process of being placed *into* the final spiritual Temple of God.

Leviticus 23:1 - And the Eternal spoke to Moses, saying, Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them; the feasts, now that is of course, should be written 'appointed times' of the LORD/Eternal, which **you shall proclaim to be holy convocations,** commanded assemblies before God. ...**these are My feasts.** So they're not Jewish. I know a lot of people when you talk about observing Holy Days, etc... they say, "Oh, you're Jewish." No, we're God's people. These are *God's* Feasts; they're My Feasts – God says. They're Yahweh Elohim's Feasts.

Verse 3 - Six days shall work be done: and on the seventh is the Sabbath of a solemn rest, a holy convocation; so again, a commanded assembly; **you shall do no work in it: it is the Sabbath/it is the rest of the Eternal in all your dwellings. These are the Feasts/appointed times,** it should be, **of the Eternal, holy convocations,** so we're to gather before God. Now if we can fellowship together as a commanded assembly – fantastic. Others, because of distance or health, well, we appear before God – we still gather as a gathering before God – we appear before Him on the Sabbath to hear God's sermon, which is God feeding us; **which you shall proclaim at their appointed times.** The word is correct there. **On/IN the fourteenth day of the first month at twilight,** it's between the evenings; it all takes place on the 14th, **is the Eternal's Passover.** So the story of the exodus out of Egypt, which is symbolic of us today coming out of sin was the time that God gave the Passover observance to the Israelites. It is important to note that we cannot come out of sin/come out of Egypt *before* we partake of the Passover. So the Old Testament scriptures in Exodus actually explain that – that Passover is first in God's plan of salvation.

Exodus 12:1 – Now the Eternal spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt saying, **This month, month of Abib, shall be your beginning of months: it shall be the first month of the year to you. Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying, On the tenth day of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, a lamb for a household: (verse 4) And if the household is too small for the lamb, let him and his neighbour next to his house take it according to the number of persons; according to each man’s need you shall make your count for the lamb.** In other words, if there was only two people, you have a large lamb; you were to get together as a group to consume the lamb; so there could be 10 - 12 people. It wasn’t just each house individually. It was a collective thing so that there was no waste and it wasn’t excessive. But the main point of this, of course, is preparation.

There is a preparation required – it requires thinking... and here God commanded them to think about it all 4 days in advance, on the 10th day of this first month they were to take a lamb and consider it, consider the very offering that God was going to fulfill; *consider* the Passover lamb. Now we today have to do the same. We should be preparing for the Passover and the way we do it, as scripture outlines, is we examine ourselves. We examine ourselves to see whether *we are in the truth*. Now, do we have any issues with other brethren in the Body? Do we have other issues with other stones in the Temple? Are we judging those stones? Are we criticising those stones? Do we have any ill *feeling* towards other brethren? Well, if so, we need to reconcile those matters *before* the 14th, before we take the Passover. So this is part of the preparation that is required. We are to *examine* ourselves to see whether *we are in the truth*. Does God dwell in us? Do we reflect God and Jesus Christ in our thinking towards others?

Verse 5 - Your lamb shall be without blemish, without sin, symbolic... a male of the first year: you shall take it from the sheep, and from the goats: And this of course pointed to Jesus Christ.

I Peter 1:18 – Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver and gold, in other words you weren’t purchased that way; **from your aimless conduct received from the traditions of your fathers;** we were purchased... **But with the precious blood of Christ, as a lamb without blemish and without spot:** so it takes us back to Exodus. Jesus Christ *was* the Passover Lamb. So we’ve been redeemed; we’ve been purchased by that Lamb, by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ who spilt His blood so that sin could be forgiven.

Going back to **Exodus 12:6 - Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month: then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight,** between the two evenings. In other words, you’re to kill it on the 14th, not on the 13th, but on the 14th. It *was not* a temple sacrifice where it was an offering from a human to the priesthood to God. This was a sacrifice of God the Father on our behalf. He provided Jesus Christ. He created Jesus Christ as our sacrifice.

Verse 8 - Then they shall eat the flesh on the night of the 14th, because it says...**Then they shall eat the flesh on that night,** what night? The 14th. ...**roasted with fire, and unleavened bread;** symbolic that Jesus Christ had no sin; **and with bitter herbs you shall eat it.** So Christ *is* the unleavened bread of life.

Verse 9 – Do not eat it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted in fire; its head and its legs, and its entrails. It was complete. **You shall let none remain until the morning; and what remains of it until the morning you shall burn with fire.** So in other words it would be a complete sacrifice. Jesus Christ fulfilled *all* that was required on the 14th.

Verse 11 - And thus you shall eat it; with a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet and your staff in your hand, so this is all on the night of the 14th. **So you shall eat it in haste...it is the Eternal's Passover.** Now this was symbolic of our willingness to leave sin, to leave Egypt. They were willing to leave Egypt. They were ready to leave and once the Passover had taken place and all that was needed on the Passover the 14th, they then could leave Egypt. So the same for us brethren; the ability to leave sin...we have to accept Jesus Christ as God's Passover for us.

Verse 12 - For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, the night of the 14th after they'd eaten the Passover lamb because they sprinkled the blood on the doorpost and the lenti, **and will strike all the firstborn of the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment:** well, that judgement was death. **I am the Eternal.** So it is *through* the Passover that all false religion will be destroyed because they reject the Passover and if you reject Passover the way it is on the 14th and the New Testament symbols then the outcome is...if man continues to reject it – the only thing is to be destroyed. And that's what God'll do. God'll destroy all the gods of sin, of Egypt, all the false religions will be destroyed and if man refuses at any point of time in the future to reject the very sacrifice of Jesus Christ as the Passover Lamb, the outcome is destruction, death.

Verse 13 – Now the blood shall be a sign for you, as it is for us today, brethren. Jesus Christ's blood, the acceptance of Passover, is a sign for us; a sign that our sins have been forgiven. Verse 13 again, **Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you are and when I see the blood,** in other words, *we accept* Jesus Christ as our Passover Lamb, we accept the blood of Jesus Christ, **I will pass over you and the plague,** and that plague was death, **shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.** So in other words, brethren, we are kept *in* the truth by the *acceptance* of Jesus Christ as our Passover Lamb. This lamb was without blemish which was symbolic of Jesus Christ who was without sin. This Passover pictures what Jesus Christ would fulfill for mankind. He is our Passover and by His blood we can be saved from the penalty of sin, which is eternal death, a final judgement for all time.

Just going back to **I Peter 1:20** – we read previously verse 18 and 19 so this is **I Peter 1:20 – He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,** for you and me. **Who through Him/by Him,** by Jesus Christ, **believe in God, who raised Him from the dead, and gave Him glory; so that your faith and hope are in Him.** That is our faith and hope. Our faith is in Jesus Christ. Our faith is that He did die for our sins; **and our hope is in God,** that God raised Him up and gave Him eternal life. That is our hope. Jesus Christ has been placed as the corner stone in the Temple already. That is fulfilled. So, now other stones can be added because of Jesus Christ's sacrifice for us. Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Lamb of God was God's Passover sacrifice *given to mankind* whereby we can be saved from death. By taking of the New Testament Passover death passes over us. This is where we must all begin in God's plan of salvation. It all begins with Jesus Christ. It all begins with Passover. All of us face the death penalty for our sins until we accept the sacrifice of Jesus Christ to remove them. Only the blood of Christ in our stead can remove the penalty. This is God's Passover sacrifice for us.

Romans 5:12 - Therefore, by one man, Adam, sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for all have sinned: We have sinned. Every man has sinned. So the only way that sin can be forgiven is through Jesus Christ. The Passover is the beginning of God's plan of salvation. We must be forgiven of our sins in order to enter into a relationship with God the Father. Upon repentance, which God grants, and baptism – the outward sign that we are going to have our sins forgiven, but we are going to bury the old man and as we come up we want to walk in a new way of life

– can we begin the process of being delivered from the pull of our own selfish human nature and the power of Satan that holds man in darkness and deception. And of course, through the laying of hands God gives us His spirit which *enables* us, or gives us the ability to walk in the truth, to see spiritual matters.

Colossians 1:13 – **Whom**, talking about God, **has delivered us from the power of darkness**, from the power of sin, and the power of sin, of course, is death, **and has translated/moved/transferred us into the Kingdom of His dear Son**: so we've been moved *into* the Kingdom of His dear Son. So at the moment we are living stones, we are *in...* we are now begotten sons and we are going to be moved at some point in time *into* a permanent location in the Temple.

Verse 14 - In Whom, in Christ, **we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sin**: So that tells us everything about Passover. God's Church observes this annual memorial in the very same way Jesus did on Passover night with His disciples after He had His last meal with them. That last meal of course was the very Passover that was commanded in Exodus – the very command of eating a Passover lamb which was prepared.

I Corinthians 11:23 – Paul gave instructions about a New Testament Passover. **I Corinthians 11:23 – For I have received from the Lord/from Jesus Christ that which I also delivered unto you**, what He delivered was how to observe the Passover in the New Testament way, **That the Lord Jesus on the same night**, the *same* night – the Passover night of the 14th, **in which He was betrayed; He took bread: And when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, Take, eat: this is My body, which is broken for you: do this in remembrance of Me**. So this is an *annual* observance each year at Passover time. It is an *annual* memorial as stated in Leviticus 23.

Verse 25 - After the same manner He took the cup, after the supper. The Passover meal was finished and now He's introducing the new symbols. **And in the same manner that He took the cup, after supper**, after He took the bread and He took the cup, **This cup is the new covenant**, Now a new covenant is a new agreement; a covenant talks about a new agreement. It's not like the old one, this is brand new, **in My blood; this do you**, now this is a command, **this do you as often**, which is annual, **as you drink it, in remembrance of Me**. So we have to take the bread and eat it, symbolic of the very body of Jesus Christ and we're to drink the wine as a symbol of Jesus Christ's blood. **For as often as you eat this bread, and drink this cup, you do show the Lord's death till He comes**. So we show Christ's death, we accept it; we believe it and we accept Jesus Christ's death and sacrifice for the forgiveness of our sins. In this instruction to the Church, which is the spiritual Israel of God, Jesus Christ instituted the symbols for Passover on the *same night* the Passover lamb was killed, roasted, and eaten. On the night of the 14th of this first month, the Israelites were to observe this annual occasion by killing the lamb and eating it. Now the Church of God is to partake of the annual symbols of eating the flesh and drinking the blood of the Lamb of God; and of course it's symbolic. The flesh is symbolic of eating a piece of unleavened bread and the blood is symbolic of drinking a small amount of wine.

Let's turn to **John 6:47 – Most assuredly, I say to you, He who believes in me...** now believing – we have to believe what Jesus Christ said; we have to believe the truth that He gave **...has everlasting life**. So to be able to believe Christ we first need God's spirit dwelling in us. To have everlasting life, the potential of eternal life, we need God's spirit dwelling in us also.

Verse 48 - I am the bread of life. Why? Why was Jesus Christ the Bread of life? Because God made Him so: *God* made Him the chief corner stone. *God* made Him the Passover Lamb.

Verse 49 - Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which comes down from heaven, that one may eat of it, and not die. I am the living bread, so this is ongoing. **I am the living,** to be living we have to have Jesus Christ living and dwelling in us; **I am the living bread which comes down from heaven:** so He was appointed the role of Messiah by God. **...if anyone eats this bread,** this is a way of life, has Christ living in them in other words, **he will live forever:** And that is God's plan for us; **and the bread which I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world.** So Jesus Christ fulfilled Passover so that the world, people in the world, mankind could have life! He enabled life for mankind –eternal life; immortal life can be given, (and we don't have an immortal soul)... immortal life can be given to us through this process.

Verse 52 - The Jews therefore quarrelled amongst themselves, saying, How can this man give us His flesh to eat? Then Jesus said to them, Most assuredly, I say to you, Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink His blood, you have no life in you. So there is no spiritual life, because if you don't accept the sacrifice of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sin then God can't dwell in us – therefore there is no life in us. Sin would still dwell in us. We would be subject to death. So we *must partake* of the Passover in spirit and truth. We need our sins forgiven so God and Christ can live in us. If we don't accept Passover we cannot have spirit or the spirit of God which enables life dwelling in us.

Verse 54 – Moreover/whoever eats My flesh, and drinks My blood, has eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day. Isn't that an incredible promise? We will be placed as spirit beings *into* the temple, into God's very Family, which is a marvellous and wonderful blessing.

So when the Israelites kept Passover, the killing of the Lamb for their families, they were to eat as described in scripture – the sacrifice of the Lord's Passover. Both the eating of the lamb by the Israelites on the night of the 14th, and later the Church's observance and partaking of the symbols of the bread and wine are symbolic of God giving His Son to be sacrificed for mankind. It also pictures the Messiah's *own agreement* to give His life as that sacrifice. God the Father and Jesus Christ willingly gave this sacrifice to mankind and it was therefore truly the sacrifice of the Eternals Passover. The entirety of Passover in both the night and day portions has great meaning and it was all fulfilled by Jesus Christ; by His life and death. Isn't that incredible... incredible!

Well brethren, to have eternal life we must accept the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Eternal life will be given to those who meet God's predetermined conditions. This is how we can be placed *into* the final Temple that God is fashioning and building.

Romans 5:8 – But God demonstrates/exhibits His own love towards us in that while we were sinners, in other words we were still His enemy, **Christ died for us. Much more than having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath,** in other words saved from death and particularly the death penalty, the second death, **through Him/through Jesus Christ. For if when we were His enemies,** in other words before conversion, **we were reconciled to God through/by the death of His Son, much more having been reconciled,** in other words, **atoned, we shall be saved by His life.** So once we have accepted the death of Jesus Christ – that's not enough: we now need to walk in a new way of life and that is through the power of the holy spirit that God and Jesus Christ *live* in us; so then we are saved by His life, the life of Jesus Christ living in us. We then have life dwelling in us.

Verse 11 – And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ through Whom we have now received the reconciliation/the atonement, in other words, our sins have been atoned through Jesus Christ. So the first to enter Elohim was Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ was the first of all mankind to enter the God Family.

Acts 2:22 - Men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested/approved/exhibited by God to you by miracles and wonders and signs, so how He was shown and revealed was through these miracles and wonders and signs...**which God did**, in other words God performed these things, **through Him/by Him**, by Jesus Christ, **in your midst as you yourselves also know**: so they perceived it, they saw it, they knew it; **Him**, talking about Christ, **being delivered by the determined/ordained**, He was determined or ordained to this purpose, **Him/Christ being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God**, so it was prearranged; it was foreknown by God, **you have taken, by lawless deeds and crucified**, in other words, this really is **have fastened**, it's not the word stauroo, but it is, **fastened to a pole, and put to death: Whom God raised up**, so it was God that raised Jesus Christ; **having loosened the pains of death: because it was not possible that He should be held by it**. Now it wasn't possible because God ordained it this way, it was God that raised Jesus Christ and gave Him eternal life. It's something that He didn't have before.

Acts 5:30 – I'm showing here brethren that we don't have an immortal soul and that eternal life has to be given to us just as it was Jesus Christ – it was given to Him. He was the first to enter the Temple. He's the chief corner stone for us to have foundations laid in a time order and *we* have to be *given* eternal life and that process is the acceptance of Jesus Christ as our Saviour, our Passover Lamb and to have God and Jesus Christ living and dwelling in us – and *then* that is what is changed – it's not the physical carnal mind that's changed, it's God's mind *in us* that is changed to spirit and *then* we enter into the Family of God. **Acts 5:30 - The God of our fathers**, who was that? Yahweh Elohim... and therefore, of course it couldn't have been Jesus Christ because people turn around and say that Jesus Christ was the God of the Old Testament and here it says, **the God of our fathers**, which was Yahweh Elohim, **raised up Jesus, whom you murdered by hanging on a tree**. So Jesus Christ was placed on a tree, on a stake or a pole and was killed.

Verse 31 – Christ/Him, talking about Christ, **God has exalted**, He's given Him eternal life, **to His/God's right hand to be Prince and a Saviour, to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins**. So it was God the Father who gave life to Jesus Christ and it is God who is going to give us life; and that life that was given was eternal life. Jesus Christ after His death became the first of all mankind to be resurrected from the dead; was given eternal life and entered the Family of God, therefore becoming Jesus Christ Elohim. What a beautiful and wonderful picture that is painted.

God reveals that there are many that will enter His Family; enter into this final Temple. There are many stones in the Temple building. The 144,000 are referred to as first fruits of God's Family since they will be the first from among the families of mankind to be resurrected and become God, become Elohim. They are the first, after Christ, to be given eternal life. They are the first stones of the Temple – the spiritual Temple. God provided Jesus Christ as our Saviour. The only way to enter into eternal life is to have God and Christ live their lives in us. Once we have received God's spirit through the laying of hands we become impregnated with *God's life in us* and once God dwells *in* a person they become begotten sons, not yet born. So we are like an embryo; we are *begotten* sons of God. What an incredible honour to carry that title.

Romans 8:8 – And prior to this it's talking about the carnal mind that God made us with and that we are by nature hostile to God and not subject to the law of God and *indeed* the natural mind *can't!* It can only think selfishly. All its decisions are based on acquiring something to itself, even though that mind doesn't even understand it. It doesn't know what it's really doing, but that's its real core motivation and it's only through God's spirit dwelling in a person that a person can come to see and understand that mind. **Romans 8:8** – **So then those who are in the flesh, with its natural mind, cannot please God.** It's impossible because all the thinking is selfish.

Verse 9 - **But you are not in the flesh, but in the spirit, if,** and that's a big IF, **IF indeed the spirit of God dwells in you.** So this requires a calling and repentance, baptism and the laying of hands. **Now if any one does not have the spirit of Christ, he is not His.** So, without the spirit of God and Christ, we're not begotten sons and therefore we are *not fighting* the selfish nature that we have – it's impossible because it's only by God's power that we can fight this nature.

Verse 10 - **And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the spirit is life because of righteousness.** So it's God's righteousness in it, no longer is it self-righteousness; it's actually God's righteousness in us. So we have faith in what God has said about forgiveness. We believe God, what He's saying here. **But if the spirit of Him who raised Christ,** so the spirit of God the Father, **who raised Christ from the dead dwells in you,** which it does, **He who's raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His spirit which dwells in you.** So this is a promise and it's all about a time order. So we can't enter the Temple when we want; we can't be what we *want* to be in the Temple, it's all done by God because it's going to be perfect, a perfect fit, a perfect location, perfect shape. **Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh,** not to our own selfish desires, **to live according to the flesh.** We need to be fighting this with such a great promise before us. **For if you live according to the flesh, you will die:** That's a promise. If we reject what God's giving, we will die; **but if by the spirit you put to death,** with the power of God's holy spirit we put to death, we sacrifice these own selfish desires, **the deeds of the body, you will live.** It's a promise...*it's* a promise. **For as many as are led by the spirit of God, these are the sons of God.** In other words with God living and dwelling in us by the power of His holy spirit we then can fight sin.

Verse 15 - **For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear;** so in other words we're not without hope – we have hope! We have hope of eternal life being given to us; **but you receive the spirit of adoption,** so we're adopted sons of God, **by which we cry, Abba, Father. The spirit itself bears witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ;** now Christ has already inherited. **...if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.** In other words, we are going to follow our older brother Jesus Christ because God the Father will give us life, the same as He did Jesus Christ – give us eternal life. We will become Elohim. We will be placed into the spiritual Temple in a time order; the 144,000 are after Christ, they are next and as I said, in only a very short time now – in 799 days the rest of the stones are going to be added to the spiritual Temple that God is building. And of course it's conceptual, it's not a physical building as we understand physical building; but for us to understand how God is building a structure, a Family *IN* a spiritual City – New Jerusalem, the Kingdom of God.

It would be through *His* Church, God's Church, that God would achieve the development of His children.

Truth 12 of 50:

12. Only those whom God the Father calls and draws to Him can be converted. Only those God chooses and calls now can come into the Church of God. Satan has deceived the whole world, and the Church is [the called out ones] called out of that world. (John 6:44)

That's where we've been called out from. We've been called out of error, called out of sin and we're called *into* the Church, into truth because the truth only exists in God's Church and if we have God's spirit dwelling in us we can recognize it and see it. And it is only God that keeps us in the truth! It is God that keeps us in the truth by the power of His holy spirit. Truth 10 of 50:

10. The Church is only the first fruits. The Church...

...up until the sealing of the 144,000 which has happened at 1335...

...is only the first fruits for the beginning of God's plan of salvation. God is not yet trying to save the whole world.

Which is what the religions of the world think...

The first fruits are those who have been tried and trained to become part of God's government, in His Kingdom, when Jesus Christ returns as King of kings in the Millennium.

So the beginning when Jesus Christ returns we see the resurrection of the 144,000.

Those who are converted...

...after the sealing of the 144,000 which happened at 1335...

...and during the Millennium,

So there's another group of people...

... along with the first fruits,

...in a time order...

...will become kings, priests and teachers for the rest of the world that will be resurrected after the end of the Millennium.

So God is building a temple. He is building a structure stone upon stone but it's all done in a time order and they are all put into the Temple for a purpose and that purpose is to support other stones; to help the moulding and fashioning that God's going to do, to fit stones into the Temple. The majority of the Church today – this is God's purpose for you. That is the purpose God has for you – to place you into the Temple as a spiritual stone cut and shaped and moulded to follow and resemble and to be the image of our older brother Jesus Christ.

Truth 11 that the world doesn't understand is...

11. The Church is not yet the Kingdom of God. The Church is not yet the Kingdom of God but it is the embryo that will become the Kingdom of God.

So we're begotten sons – we haven't been born yet, we have not completed our growth that we can be born. Once called by God a person will have to come to accept Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour, High Priest and soon coming King before they could have the potential to enter the spiritual Family of God – to be part of the Temple. Now it's going to be easier; once Jesus Christ returns these things will be easier – that's God's plan – to make it easier and now people will have a greater support mechanism in the Millennium and then in the 100 years they'll even have a *greater* support mechanism. So it is going to be easier. The removal of Satan is going to make it a lot easier, but man must still fight his nature.

So we are only begotten now, we're not yet born. We are not yet inheritors, but we are heirs. We know that we are not yet composed of Eternal life; we're not composed of that. Yes, we have a down payment of God's spirit and at some point of time God *will give us* eternal life. We all look forward to one of the three spiritual resurrections; the change is from physical to spiritual. Once changed mankind can become great...but we can never become greater than the Almighty God. Yes, being human and being changed to spirit is a great change, but we will *never* have the greatness and power of Almighty God; but we can become spirit on a God plane in the God Family.

Turn to **John 17** – and this is Christ speaking just after He had shown the Passover symbols – the taking of the bread and wine in **John 17:14 - I have given them**; talking about the disciples, and of course we are disciples today. **I have given them Your words**; and what is God's word? It's truth. **...and the world has hated them**, well, we know that, brethren, God has shown us clearly that the world *hates* God's words, hates the truth, **because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world**. So we have a difference. We've been set aside; we have a different set of values, different set of standards because what we live by is the truth, God's word.

Verse 15 - I do not pray that you should take them out of the world, but that you should keep them from the evil one. In other words, we are going to be left in this world; we are going to suffer because of Satan's system and we are going to be moulded and fashioned with God's help and Jesus Christ as the head of the Church...we're going to be shaped and moulded so that we do fit into a Temple and God left Satan in place for a purpose; but he cannot have us because it says here that we **be kept from the evil one**. Satan cannot destroy us *while we submit* to the truth, while we submit to God's spirit leading and guiding us, because God's called us for that purpose.

Verse 16 - They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Now that, only as a statement is true if God's spirit dwells in us.

Verse 17 - Sanctify them by Your truth: Your word is truth. So this is what separates us from the world. This is what separates us now from the church that's scattered because they do not have the truth, they rejected it.

Verse 18 - As You sent me into the world, I also have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify Myself, I set Myself aside, Jesus Christ was saying... **that they may also be sanctified by the truth. I do not pray for these alone, but I also for those who will believe in Me through their word;** in other words it's going to be handed down to those called in the future which is us today; **That they all may be one; as You, Father, are in Me, and I in you, that they also may be one in Us: that the world may believe that You sent Me.** So, in time, the world will see. And how will they see this truth that was just stated about God *IN* us and we *IN* God, and Christ *in* us and us *in* Jesus Christ. How will that happen? Well, it's going to require a calling; it's only through God's spirit that anyone can even begin to understand this truth – it's impossible otherwise.

...we understand that, it's another truth – Truth 35...

35. We understand that Jesus Christ is “continually coming” in the flesh to those who are in the Church of God. This has only been partially understood by the Church.

I'm not going to read all the aspects of that particular truth. It can be looked up on the website under the 50 revealed truths of God.

I wanted to turn quickly now to **I John 5:10** - Now of course, we only have Jesus Christ and God the Father living in us if we have repented of sin. The failure to repent of sin ceases that life living in us – so that is why it's *so* important when we do sin that we simply cast that sin before God the Father in prayer because He's *desiring* to live in us, to forgive sin so that He can live and dwell in us. **I John 5:10 - He who believes in the Son of God has the witness/evidence in himself: he who does not believe God has made Him a liar; because he has not believed the testimony/record that God has given to His Son.** So what we believe is proof that God is actually living His life in us. If we believe the truth that the Church has been given – that's actually proof that God and Jesus Christ live in us. If we believe the truth as revealed to the Church we are *in* God and God is *in* us.

Verse 11 - And this is the testimony, this is the evidence or the record, **that God has given us eternal life,** so that we can now see that we *have* eternal life dwelling in us by the dwelling of His spirit in us because we believe the truth... **and this is the testimony that God has given us eternal life,** so this is the record of us, **and His life is in His Son.** So this is the eternal life that was given to Jesus Christ - now dwells in us. It hasn't been given to us yet. It is only through Christ that we can have God's spirit dwelling in us. It is only through Christ that we can have eternal life.

Verse 12 - He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son does not have life. Aren't they wonderful scriptures?

Verse 13 - These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God; that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the Son of God. So after human beings are begotten of the holy spirit they will then grow spiritually until the time when they will be resurrected, changed into spirit to enter the very Family of God.

Final scripture in **Philippians 3:17 - Brethren, join in following my example**, this is Paul speaking, **and note those who so walk**, those who walk in the truth, **as you have us as a pattern**. So the ministry that walk in the truth is what we should be following – the truth that God has given to the Church. **(For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you weeping**, this is of others that have left the truth, **that they are enemies of the stake of Christ**: They no longer have the truth living in them because they *reject* the very sacrifice of Jesus Christ, so the truth can't live in them. **Whose end is destruction**, that's exactly what's going to happen – they *will be destroyed* unless they repent of that sin and accept Jesus Christ as their Saviour for the forgiveness of sin, **whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their own shame, who set their minds on earthly things.**) They can no longer think spiritually. They think selfishly because without God's spirit it's impossible to think spiritually.

Verse 20 - For our citizenship is in heaven; from which we so eagerly wait for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: Who will transform our lowly body, that it may be conformed to His glorious body, eternal spirit being... we'll be given eternal life; **according to the working by which He is able to subdue all things to Himself**. That is God's plan. It says, to subject all things to Jesus Christ and then when the Family is finished and completed, that the Temple's completed in the New Jerusalem, the holy City, when that's fulfilled it'll all be handed back to God the Father as a complete Family, perfect stones bearing the likeness and image of God Himself. Jesus Christ was the first to be born of the spiritual likeness and image of God, the first born *into* the God Family. He is the chief corner stone of a spiritual Temple that God is building. No human being born solely of mankind could fulfill what Jesus Christ did in fulfilling the role of Passover for all mankind.

Jesus Christ is spoken as the first born of *all* creation, the creation of bringing mankind into God's Family...into a perfect spiritual structure. Christ was created to *enable* a way *into* Elohim. Brethren, that is God's plan for you.

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